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VIA BUNKER CHANNELS
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THE TROUBLE IS THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS A COMMITMENT IN TULSA
ON JUNE 5. THUS, THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE IS JUNE 7 BUT AT SOME
COST OF WEAR AND TEAR ON THE PRESIDENT. THE PRESIDENT MUST BE BACK
FOR A WEDDING REHEARSAL ON JUNE 11. SO I THINK JUNE 8 REMAINS BEST.
THERE MUST BE NO ANNOUNCEMENT OR LEAK UNTIL WE CLEAR MATTERS HERE
WITH THE BUREAUCRACY.

FYI: I AM PLANNING TO SEE PAUL MAY 31. WE THEREFORE WANT NO
ANNOUNCEMENT UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE.